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Special Cable Despatch to Tus Sus

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Landon, Dec. 11 .- The Germans en-

The hostile artiflery developed great

to Break Congestion.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 14 .- Fifty

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is engaged in the conduct of the greatest of world wars."

Dr. Garfield in promulgating the new

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LIGHTLESS NIGHTS

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APPROVES WILSON'S AIM

## **WILSON PLANS** TAKING ROADS UNDER OLD ACT

Would Appoint Administrator and Operate Lines Without Delay.

Lane, Brandeis, Hughes and McAdoo Mentioned as Director.

MESSAGE IS HELD BACK

cial Phase After Holi-

day Recess.

energal Desputch to Ton Str. WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 .- President Wilen is understood to be-considering a plan under which he will go ahead and appoint a railroad administrator before any recommendations he may make regarding the financial phase of the probem until the Government control plan gets into operation.

With Congress now likely to adjourn time is short in which the President will have opportunity to address Congress, legislation on the subject until well along in January.

It is understood the President is occapled chiefly with the question of who should be the railroad administrator.

Several names have been discussed at the Capitol and in railroad circles, withhowever, any indication that the sident actually is preparing to select day led to reacral peculiar situations.

trouble in working out the financial fea-lures of the plan for Government control and this, it is thought, may cause him The rush to enliet at the pavy yard

### BRITISH PLAN OUTLINED. Covernment Traffic Goes Free! Under Guarantee.

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blty of the United States taking over the railroads in the manner England did sption of the London tubes, was taken ter by the Government and an executive committee appointed composed of a the army post, which already was filled to more than its capacity.

It was agreed that the companyation fallways of Great Britain, with the ex-

um payable should be reduced in the ome proportion war bonus granted to railway employees

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The payment made under these ar-

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# 'BURN, KILL, SUCH IS GLORY,' IS NEW TEUTON HATE HYMN

"Do Not Stoop to Feminine Pity Toward Women and Children," Says Psalm, but "Hurl Down, Over-' throw, Transfix and Devastate.'

ASSURED OF POWER apparently was widely distributed among

"Son of Germany in arms! This is our intoxication. Giory to the artillerymen of ours! The gun, thy powerful, invulnerable brother, calls thee. Was it not made to move the universe?

"O Riffeman of ours! Thou art the force which conquers even death; which not an obstacle withstands. Wherever thou goest thou enterest wherever thou."

"Huri down, strike with thunder."

President May Take Up Finan
The state of t thou goest thou enterest, wherever thou cane-the will of thy horse. That cow-

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London, Dec. 14.—Following is a translation of a document found on a German prisoner in Italy; it is the latest version of Germany's psalm of hate and apparently was widely distributed among the German invaders in the advance into Italy: the world! Do not stoop to feminir

"Son of Germany in arms;
"Huri down, strike with thunder, break in pieces,
"Rush forth, overthrow, transfix, de-

of McAdoo's Flotation

of Liberty Loans.

before asking for more money for the

the weekly salary list is \$5,323, but the

Distributed 9,000,000 Books.

of the bureau, George Creel, and those of three of the principal advisers of the President of the United States are linked

intimately, is an excellent campaign document and have flooded their dis-

BRITISH STEAMSHIP

"The accounting that I must give,"

**FOUNDERS IN GALE** 

Eighty-four Survive Wreck of

Knight of Thistle.

nounced in a radio message received to-

night from a steamship which reported she

books and pamphlets"

"Burn, kill, kill, kill

# **NEW ROCHELLE** SALOONS SHUT

sadressing Congress, and will postpone Order Goes Into Effect and Bureau of Public Information Will Be Enforced Until Cost Is Subject of Inquiry War's End. in House.

for its holiday recess next week the GREAT RUSH OF RECRUITS SECRET OUTLAY FOUGHT glory

and there would be no chance for any Fort Slocum Unable to Shelter Gillett Raises Question Also Men Sent There-Navy Yard Stormed.

Hearing that the 10,000 recruits part of the \$100,000,000 emergency fund

Use whether the head of the Treasury army posts for the recruits just en-benariment could be spared from the tremendous task of handling the nation's charge of army recruiting here, ordered war financing. The President is known to be having the soe men he swore in pesterday to formed of what salaries are paid to its

The rush to enlet at the navy yard meantime the President had been advesterday was so great that guards vised by the Attorney-General that he has ample authority in the act of August 28, 1916, to take over the railroads and place their operation in charge of a started before 7 A. M. and continued Mr.

signor all of the railroads and operate looked the Marine Corps, which is in them. From a Government official it was learned to-night that this course is help to be decided upon.

Description of the railroads and operate looked the Marine Corps, which is in we should have a subsidized press. But I think if we do we should know what salaries are being paid and the details of the estimate."

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A story was circulated in New Rochelle yesterday that the War De-April, 1915, the Board of Trade partment learning that there were no unced that it had been agreed that reduction should not in the future men to be had at Fort Slocum ordered men to be had at Fort Slocum ordered. accommodations for its newly entisted men to be had at Fort Slocum ordered that they be paid off and sent home, to books granted to railway employees to came within the railway conciliant should be borne by the railway complete the men would spend their two or three of the bureau. George Creal and the bureau of the bureau. onus granted to railway employees came within the railway conciliational behavior by the railway combined by the Government.

The men would spend their two or this with Gov. Whitman. In his appeal to with Gov. Whitman. In his appeal to with Gov. Whitman. the Governor the Mayor stated that these young men just supplied with "easy money" and indignant over their to the subsequent increase in the bonus treatment might visit the saloons and and the subsequent increase in the bonus treatment might visit the subsequent increase in the bonus treatment might visit the says Mr. Creel's report, "must first of generally are borne wholly by the Government as a working expense, and this order or a riot with which the local all be prefaced by the statement that I will locally the statement order or a riot with which the local police would be unable to cope. The Governor lost no time in issuing his nor do I, nor will I."

### Order Countermanded.

Col. A. R. Kingsbury, commandant at Fort Slocum, meanwhile telephoned to Secretary Baker and explained how well New Rochelle had taken care of the men number of the men to parties during the period of For this purpose the net rethe purpose the net receipts. Ilstment before December 15 would be a AN ATLANTIC FORT, Dec. 14.—The chief misrellaneous net receipts enlisted even after that time. But the foundering at sea of the British steam-time that agreed to allow saloons closed "indefinitely," as the New Rosellaneous ship Knight of the Thistle was another than the control of the state of the saloons closed "indefinitely," as the New Rosellaneous ship Knight of the Thistle was another than the control of the saloons closed "indefinitely," as the New Rosellaneous ship Knight of the Thistle was another than the control of the saloons closed the control of the saloons closed the sa

perelved have been chelle police put it.
tion fund in the comdepreciation fund in the comthe town yesterday, and about 4,000 would land eighty-four survivors here tions at Fort Slocum. These men were to-morrow. The message contained no taken care of in the local churches and details of the wreck or the rescue, but it taken care of the town type of the town the clubs, the city hall and fire houses and was thought probable that the Knight of tree into the compensation on private homes. Some were sent to Mount the Thistie went down during one of the private homes.

taken the trained by the best available clubs, the city hall and fire houses and the training the compensation on the fire freeight the Government avoids the difficulties arising from absorment than 100 to the New York Athletic and for improvements, this being provided for by the companies as formerly from earnings.

Large Increase in Wages.

The Government has been compelled to improve the arising the various places. The Red Cross cantom and available the various places. The Red Cross cantom and the th

PEND the HOLIDAYS AT PINEHURST. Continues on Third Page.

# NAVAL INQUIRY BY THE HOUSE

to Make Contrast.

Heard by Committee in

Secret Session.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—While the special Cable Despatch to THE SEX from the lenate is investigating conditions in the London Times.

Copyright, 1917, all rights reserved. Senate is investigating conditions in the army the House is to undertake an investigation of the navy. The opinion is held largely among House members that that, owing to the disintegration of investigate the Navy Department," he said, "the better they will like it."

The Naval Affairs Committee to-day designated a sub-committee of seven members headed by Representative Oliver (Alabama) to conduct the in-quiry. The fact that it came out of a clear sky when there has been no criticism of the navy led many Reprecentratives to believe that it was sought deliberately by the Secretary of the Navy to paint life Department with glory somewhat in contrast to the present conditions of the War Department and its head and at the same time provide Democratic Representatives on committee with a sufficient weap bead off criticism which might

The inquiry will be opened on Monday.

Mny Get Republienn Juit. The plan for an investigation may recaive some rude shocks from the Repulslicans of the sub-committee. The rank-ing Republican named on the committee is Representative Britten (Illinois), who ditures by the President in disposing in has been at loogerheads with Secretary

Hearing that the 10,000 recruits part of the \$100,000,000 emergency into the list has been Secretary Lane, whose knowledge of fallroad quastice of the Storement of the Storement Commerce Commission. Associate Justice Brandels of the Supreme Court has been mentioned, and the visit of former Justice Charles of the war. The War Department inter and the recruits would not be allowed to go home.

To-day the name of Secretary Meadoo was brought out, and the Passite was said to be weighing the quest. The bind of the Treasury with no accommodations at nearby then whether the head of the Treasury posts for the recruits just enforced at the 10,000,000 emergency into the \$100,000,000 emergency into the \$100,000,000 into the \$100,000 on the store of the Head of the Store and the Head of the Store and the Head of the Treasury posts for the recruits just enforce a transfer to the paid off and were attacked to-day by acting Republican Leader Gillett in the House when an urgent deficiency bill was introduced to the bottom of present naval conditions. Mr. Britten declared that Secretary House next. The bill was passed later by the both houses.

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Members of the Naval Affairs Comemployees and that Congress smould mittee also say that as at the last sesknow, two low Mr. McAdoo has spent slon \$1.500,000,000 was appropriated for the money allotted to him for floating the Liberty bond issues.

The congress of the same another billion is proposed the system of expending such vast successional be.

### ARMY QUIZ SECRET.

### ught, Heated Exchanges Mark Further Examination of Crozier.

In this report the figures do not altogether square with the report sent to Congress by the President. The actual expenditures by the Creel bureau are day to continue its examination of Major-Gen, Crozier, Chief of Ordinance. The information that there are 151 behind closed doors. Details of too high regular employees of the bureau is con- a value to the enemies of the United tained in the report, and the fact that States were divulged to justify an open

the weekly salary list is \$5,333, but the salary of no one employee is put down. This would make the average salary of Mar. Baker said yesterday that he preferred to have the public polys, messengers, girls to do typewriting and mimeographing, the janitor and should be kept from the enemy. When we were the salary of the should be kept from the enemy. ing and mimeographing, the janiter and should be kept from the enemy. When every one else, slightly more than \$55 asked to-day concerning reported statements that he had accepted responsiments that he had accepted responsy-bility for the delay in machine gun manufacture. Mr. Baker corrected his planation of yesterday by saying that he understood Gen. Crozier to have placed The report disclosed also that some to have placed been printed and that more than 2.000 .upon him the responsibility for 600 of them have been distributed. Most appointed a special board to determi of these documents have been distrib-uted under Congressional franks, the rewhich of the machine guns to adopt and

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### Aid Fund by Buying Xmas Smokes To-day.

THIS is the last of the two double certificate days in the United Cigar Stores. Every purchaser receives twice sual value of coupons and certificates and if he deposits these in THE SUN Tobacco Fund boxes he will be giving the soldiers double the customary number of smokes.

Lovers of music will flock to the Waldorf ballroom Monday night and hear May Peterson, Clara Clemens, Rudolph Ganz and the Rubinstein Choral. It's the great Christmas concert for

And those who would laugh will go to the Thirty-ninth Street Theatre, where Jane Cooper, Hale Hamilton and the other fun producers of "What's Your Hus-band Doing?" will be funnier than ever. A percentage of the receipts of this performance will come to the fund.

The fund's total is well above sterday's contributions was one f \$330, a collection made by res idents of Cubs. Read of this and other offerings on page 5.

THE SUN Tobseco Fund has no connection with any other fund, organization or publica-It employs no agents or

# RECORD GERMAN LLOYD GEORGE DEMANDS ARMY TO DEAL **BLOW IN WEST**

Opinion Very Largely Held Enemy's Higher Command **BLOW AT PARIS** That Department Wants | in Saddle Again and Sees / Chance of Victory.

POLITICAL PLAY HINTED MILLIONS ARE MASSED

Testimony on Army Ordnance Entente Will Face Greatest Danger in Next Six Months, Says Critic.

By COL. CHARLES REPINGTON.

the coming inquiry into navy conditions Russia and the Italian defeats, the

generally was inspired by the Depart- enemy has power to assemble on the ment itself. Secretary Daniels said he front in France larger forces than ever welcomed the inquiry. The more they before, and it is also evident that owing to this favor of fortune the famous Reichstag resolution has been relegated many through Dutch and Swiss sources to the background. The German higher suggest that the German people rapidly command is once more master of the are approaching a state of hysteria in situation and has acquired fresh con- expectation of a great drive on the west fidence for a peace by victory. The front, which it seems is expected con question is what can the enemy do and fidently to force France and Great Brit- REPLY NEVER WAS MADE peace or any kind of peace that is not ain to make peace.

what can we do to answer him? There is much evidence to show that | The German people apparently have the east to the west recently has been begun. There are now some 150 German divisions (approximately 2,100,000 ize that an unprecedented effort is imin the west and seventy-nine pending. The press has been allowed (1,106,000 men) in the east, but from the latter there are being withdrawn all men from 19 to 35 years old for serwho on the Franco-British front. Some of the papers going so far as to state that France and England will be complete divisions may follow, and the possibility of the appearance of Austroforce of Germany and Austria which is ons on the French front intended to crush their line and take parks and the coast of the English Channel. Thus one blow will break France's must not be excluded.

German main headquarters probably with invasion. can recover and before the United des can concentrate in France very large forces.

The Aestern front will become an im-The Western front will become an interest of the particle of safety and the garrison landsturm and other second grade troops therefore may be retained there. The Russian front will be maintained by the class of 1919 and the older men, while the whole German forces fit to fight and concentrated in the west for a decision blow or blows possibly during the concentrated in the section. tered a British first line trench on a decisive blow or blows, possibly during the winter, tessibly in the spring. Dur-ing the next six months our danger will front of about 300 yards at one point on the Ypres front in Flanders, to-

be greatest. The menace of war on two fronts no night's official statement says. want and the exhaustion of their reserves and it may be necessary for them tillers developed great activity east of to strike more quickly than we know. Bullecourt. The communication follows:

In any case, the broad lines of their There was local fighting this morn.

Verbul Reply Decided On. "The longer publicity is held back."

Mr. Gillett said, "the more pitless it will be when it comes. I hope in the future but a longer publicity is held back."

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We must expect ton one fresh fighters for them. alread administrator.

The act of August 25, 1916, was assed as a rider to the army appropriation bill and provides that the President nounced that recruits in their clamor to no bill and provides that the President nounced that recruits in their clamor to no bill and provides that the President nounced that recruits in their clamor to no bill and provides that the President nounced that recruits in their clamor to may be necessary that in meeting her duce for the army. Other suggestions in the west at least, many more guns of that sort will be looked into, he said, and a reruft. The long German defendencementative Britten also said he sive in the west, unchanged except at

Such reenforcements would not be enough to make sure a German victory. but they would demand on our part cor-responding measures and might even reresponding measures and might even restrict us temperarily to an active defensive which would not exclude short duration attacks like tabse at Mahmalson and Messines. France would be compelled to put in her 1913 and 1919 olasses, as well as postpone the with drawal from the front of all classes.

There was heavy artillery fighting last night on the French section of the line near Malsons de Champagne, but it was not continued to-day. There was no constantly inquired what the Germany's war alms are, following in the can be added to can be added to complete the first of the Foreign Office, eald to-day that as quished peace.

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Secretary of War Baker said yestermore the public also that the preferred to have the public retilier areading fresh divisions or translay that he preferred to have the public retilier areading fresh divisions or transestion.

Put luto Service on Environ Roads ferring them to France from other thea-

> Whatever has to be done must be dene quickly. We cannot safely reckon Prilabelletta. Pa., Dec. 14.—Fifty of a need of less than 1,000,000 men large freight seponotives just completed for maintaining our existing forces in by the haldwin Locomotive Works for the field during the year 1918, assum- "Persiting a loops" in France, are getting war service on the ing that future losses and waste will their baptism into war service on the no such communication was pundle equal those of the last two years.
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> The sources open to us other than and other Eastern trunk line railroads the annual class of youths of 18 are first hauling supplies into seaport points for the annual class of yourns of 18 are first hailing supines into seaport points for of all Ireland, to which the registration transshipment abroad, and service acts can be applied. The three locomotives, it became known second source is an extension of the age to-day, were distributed from the Exident to 50. The third, and most important to 50. tant, is the withdrawal from the nonessential and even from some of the eslocometives to work on American roads
> sential national industries the younger
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3,000,000 Britons in War.

By vigorous application of all these re rulting means we can carry on until GARFIELD QRDERS the United States presents its armies in force, but it is known that legislation must be met and faced to enable us to do so much. The reason why we cannot easily draw more men of military Two a Week, Beginning Next age from the industries is that almost all our public departments have in hand immense programmes, which make the same of omense programmes, which not only

was included in the second state of the second open for business.

The new order replaces one which became effective November 3 for the dimining of electric displays, which the administration says has been a failure. n many other industries revision must be undertaken in order that the men necessary for our armles may be found. It is known that in round figures we have an aggregate, roughly, of 2,000,000 men in France and 1 000,000 in other It is counted upon not only to effect a substantial saving of coal, but, as the announcement says, to "provide startling visual evidence that the United States theatres. The 2,090,000 in France are not all fighting men by any means. When we add the buyonets and guns available in France and those of the rench, Americans, Belgians and Portuguese the resulting fighting strength, compared with that of the enemy, is not adequate to promise victory or even am-hitious offensive operations. It never in the order is wasteful, and is preju

In exterior operations other than those in France. Including Salonica, where a firm decision is badly needed, we have enough men to turn the scale that householders will observe the In compliance with the patriotic spirit of the order the hope was expressed that householders will observe the "lightless nights" by burning as few tights in homes as it is possible to get in France. In sending so many troops

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### Parliament to Hold Secret Army Session.

BIGGER WAR SACRIFICES;

special Despatch to Tils Sch. LONDON, Dec. 14 .- The Government is practically com-mitted to a policy of holding a secret session of Parliament be-Christmas to discuss problem of man power with reference to increasing the army and exercising a more effective control over labor in all essential occupations.

DENIES BERLIN'S

WAR AIM GLAIM

LONDON, Dec. 14 -- Advices from Ger- Cecil Says Britain Did Not Make Request, but Question

Was Asked Often.

intensive transfer of troops from been able to see enough of the immense Two Versions Now of September Peace Proffer Mentioned by Balfour.

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London, Dec. 14 .- There is a sharp disagreement between England and Ger- fulness as a betrayal of the great trust many as to which country intrinted the of Commons. Mr. Balfour said England ley, the no danger is to be feared from Russia speciacular naturally would dictate an and that it is important to settle material effort to achieve a huge victory on the term with the western allies before Russia. The tree widespread distance of the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the western allies before Russian special response to the tree with the russian response to the tree with eve of Christmas there is a widespread belief here that he is making a great attempt to get quick results to justify holl- land had replied that it was willing to France and Italy. receive any German proposition and con-

sider it in conjunction with his allies. says that the intimation of a willing- until the American for land and was communicated to Germany reverse in Italy. through a neutral in such form that on

was supposed that the inquiry was n

with the knowledge and sanction of the British Covernment. conclusion, it is said, that the British Cabinet was informed of this step and

Clermany concluded, the despatch coninues, that a direct verbal reply through a neutral was warranted by the closum- dest Wilson and do not desire to force stances, but subsequent events convinced a confroversy where none exists."

In his reference to the effect of Lord received that the British Government but that there was an active The bostile artillery developed great activity this afternoon east of Buile-court. There also has been considerable artillery activity on both sides during the day between the Scarpe.

Discussing this divergence of testi-leader in the action of entorcing the court. during the day between the Scarpe mony, Lord Robert Cecil, on behalf of country

in the same vein, inquiring as to Germent and with a covenant on the part many's war aims.

"We do not know, of course, what pri-vate individuals may have said to Ger"That is, the right policy after vis many, but it is utterly untrue that such tory. Without victory it would be a request for Germany's terms was made farre. Who would sign such a treat with our knowledge. The tierman state- I presume, among sign short a treaty ment does not even say directly that have so far successfully broken the last there we saych a communication from the last there we saych a communication from the last the say so far successfully broken the last three we say the satisfactions that have so far not

In regard to a question as to what procedure might be followed to reach an agreement for a statement by the Allies of their war aims Lord Ceell and it doubtless would be possible through approximately approximately an exchange of notes, but the natural method was a conference of representatives of the Allies.

Asked if America probably would be at all hazards to complete an ever to have started unless we mean.

Asked if America probably would be at all hazards to complete our among those represented, he replied that the American position obviously was un-like those of the European Allies, but of course our enemies are ready to

desirable that the German people also are strong objections to any detailed dis-cussion of the character of the settlement after the war.

retary of the Maximalist peace delega-tion telegraphed from Brest-Litovsk that Gen. Skallon, at one time Governorcide by shooting.

The General's suicide occurred a few going better the longer we fought, is General of Warsaw, had committed suihours after the arrival of the Bolshevik delegation and on the eve of a conference

### INDUSTRIAL CHIEFS CALLED. German Manufacturers Summoned

### to Great Headquarters. AMSTERDAM. Dec. 14 .- The Rheinische leagues and I have been charged

Westfallsche Zeitung of Essen. Germany, reports that the presidents of the War Board of German Industry, the Central Board of German industry, and the League Union of Manufacturers, and the League o. Manufacturers, have been summoned to a conference at German great head-

Premier Hints of Peril to the Allies in Impending German Smash.

AMERICAN ARMY HOPE

"Prussian Military Spirit Is Drunk With Boastfulness," He Declares.

PEACE TALK NOW FUTILE

Security Impossible if "Criminal Is More Powerful Than the Law."

London, Dec. 14 .- Premier Lloyd George, in a ringing speech to-day to lawyers of Grey's Inn, declared England is entirely in accord with President Wilson's statement of war aims, asserted strongly that he is against a negotiated preceded by victory, and called for men nany more men, to hold the lines until the Americans arrive. Regarding peace overtures now he said:

"It is because I am firmly convinced that despite some untoward events. despite discouraging appearances, we are making steady progress toward the goal that I would regard peace overtures to Prussia at the very moment the Prus sian military spirit is drunk with boastwith which my colleagues and myself

If Russia persists in her present pol-cy, the Premier pointed out, the withenemy from the east of to attack Great Britain

### Greater Sacrifices Are Needed

The Premier declared that a cail mu-An Amsterdam despatch, which is de- be made on the nation for great sarri-scribed as an official telegram, to-day fices and more fighting men were needed says that the intimation of a willing-the burden that had been east on the ness to discuss peace originated in Eng. Allies by the defection of Russia and the

against the enemy and have a mobile army for any point of emergency, the the ground of international custom it Premier said, and he added that the Allies had a superjority in man power in France on the lattle front, and there were considerable Pritter federaces at

The Allies now must defend all fronts

that Lord Lansdowne's recent letter had been misunderstood and that Lord Lar

Lansdowne's letter the Premier

### into a premiature and

served that the statement was very curiously worded and added?

"Of course, I am ignorant of what inquiry the German statement refers to. We have constantly inquired what Germany's war atms are, following in this the lead of President Wilson, and there has been a great volume of speches and writings in this country speches and writings in this country speches and writings in this country speches and provisions for disarmation of the part of the same very inquiring as to German with a covenant on the part and with a covenant on the part "I warn the nation," said the Premier.

no such communication was made on the property of the British Government.

America Would Participate.

To end the war entered unes and to enforce a treaty without reparation for infringement of that treaty, merely by

like those of the European Allies, but nevertheless he would greatly regret it if such a conference were held without American participation.

The object of such a declaration, he said, so far as England was concerned, would be the enlightenment of its own people and its Allies concerning the purposes of the war, althoush it was highly desirable that the German people also dealing with a criminal state now are dealing with a criminal state now are dealing with a criminal state now are desirable that the German people also dealing with a criminal State now and should understand this. However, there are strong objections to any detailed discussion of the character of the settlebecomes too precarious to make it profitable, and the punishment of in-ternational crime becomes too sure to make it attractive.

"We are confronted with the alterna tives of abasing ourselves in terror be-fore the lawlessness which means uiti mately a world intimidated by success ful bandits or going through with our task to establish a righteous and lasting peace for ourselves and our children. Surely no nation with any regard for its self-respect and any honor can besttate a moment in its choice. would be infamous to prolong the war spite some untoward events and discouraging appearances, that we are making steady progress toward the destred goal, I would regard peace over tures to Prussia at the very moment when the Prussian milliary spirit to drunk with boastfulness as a betrayal

### Germany Also Has Troubles.

"The German victories have been emblazened to the world, but her troubles did not appear in the building. However, we know something of them.